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About:

Dissertation on "Socio-ecological problems of global society" for the award of the educational and scientific degree "Doctor" of Vladimir Georgiev Vladimirov – Zhitensky in the field of higher education
3. Social, economic and legal sciences, professional direction 3.4. Social activities, doctoral program "Organization and management outside the sphere of material production (Social activities)"

Reason:

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1. General characteristics of the dissertation work.

The dissertation is dedicated to a current and visionary problem, the development of which has lagged behind in its study, threatens humanity and especially young people more and more rapidly and at a not huge social cost. This work is presented in a total volume of 251 pages, which are distributed as follows: Introduction - 4 pages, First chapter - 141 pages, Second chapter - 80 pages, Third chapter - 3 pages, Conclusion, conclusions, recommendations and contributions to the dissertation work – 5 pages, Literature – 9 pages, Appendices – 7 pages. The literature consists of a total of 199 titles.

2. The purpose, tasks, subject and object of the research are but clearly and precisely defined. Different and complementary methods were used, which enriches the information base.

3. The hypothesis that the doctoral student puts forward is: "Knowledge of the socio-ecological problems of globalization is a guarantee of their solution." We can hardly accept such a categorical conclusion about the significance of the cognitive process. Its versatility, wide scope, the continuous changes that occur in socio-ecological literacy and its application in social practice are only one of the system-forming elements, but hardly only it - the cognitive process, can be a guarantee, as well as any other. I want to be understood correctly, implicitly this exists in the presented work, but it is not explicitly fixed. Nevertheless, even just the derivation of this hypothesis deserves admiration and support, especially since it is verified by the students in the Faculty of Education. At the same time, we can reflect one more note. Field research, in this particular case, is not a good example of an application for sociological and socio-economic research. The opportunities provided by the "small samples", which would have shown their potential in socio-ecological research, have not been used. Rather, it is a chaotic study of ecological-social-globalization processes. The actual and effective conduct of such social research as stated would bring additional added value to the dissertation. Considering the above, it can be argued that the so-called "empirical sociological

research" is poorly designed and conducted. The conclusions could have been accompanied by expected management decisions, which was not done.

4. The abstract corresponds to the content of the dissertation and presents it correctly, logically and completely.

5. Critical notes and recommendations

- The dissertation is homogeneous, structurally it meets the requirements for such a work, but its content is incorrectly distributed in this structure - the first chapter cannot be so bloated - 141 pages, and the third chapter is only 3 pages; in this case, the "suffering" chapter is the third one, which is smaller than the introduction, which is 4 pages, and it presents some MODEL FOR SOLVING THE SOCIAL-ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS IN THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA, which sounds very good as an idea, but as its implementation lacks any solid argumentation;
- There is no presented THESIS supported by the dissertation student in the scientific development. The presence of a HYPOTHESIS does not invalidate the formulation of a THESIS;
- It is noticeable that the entire text of the dissertation lacks the direct citation /ie. presentation of a certain thought in quotation marks, together with the author/; only references are present /ie. citing sources/;
- In the entire text, different verb tenses are changed several times - it is known that such type of developments are made in impersonal tense /impersonal verb form/;
- It raises confusion about the significance of the so-called dissertation work. "Social Environmental Literacy Assessment Survey" on page 245 of the dissertation. Only questionnaire and sociological figures are presented. There is a lack of any justification for the survey, as well as an analysis of the recorded empirical information.

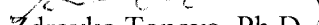
Despite the critical remarks I made, I give a positive assessment of the dissertation work

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